

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

This agreement made and entered into between the Executive Branch Ethics Commission (hereinafter the "Commission") and Cherl "Rena" Richardson.

WHEREAS, this agreement involves the matter styled *Executive Branch Ethics Commission v. Cherl "Rena" Richardson*, Case No. 20-022;

WHEREAS, the Commission is designated by statute as the agency responsible for enforcing the Executive Branch Code of Ethics, KRS Chapter 11A;

WHEREAS, on November 16, 2020, the Commission alleged facts in an Initiating Order that Cherl "Rena" Richardson violated the Executive Branch Code of Ethics codified at KRS 11A.020(1)(a) and (d);

WHEREAS, Cherl "Rena" Richardson was at all relevant times mentioned in the Initiating Order a "public servant" as defined in KRS 11A.010(9) and thus subject to the Executive Branch Code of Ethics; and

WHEREAS, Cherl "Rena" Richardson indicates her desire to resolve all issues in this action by the execution of a Settlement Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in settlement of the above allegations, the Commission and Cherl "Rena" Richardson agree, pursuant to KRS 11A.100, as follows:

1. Cherl "Rena" Richardson admits that she committed three (3) counts in violation of the Executive Branch Code of Ethics codified at 11A.020(1)(a) and (d) as stated in the Appendix A to the Commission's Initiating Order of November 16, 2020, attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein.
2. Cherl "Rena" Richardson agrees to pay the Commission a civil penalty of three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) on or before November 16, 2021.
3. Cherl "Rena" Richardson agrees that she waives all rights to any further administrative process or appeal pursuant to KRS 13B.140 thereon.
4. The parties further agree that the acceptance of this Settlement Agreement by both parties, and the fulfillment of its express terms, is in full accord and satisfaction of the herein referenced *Executive Branch Ethics Commission v. Cherl "Rena" Richardson*, Case No. 20-022.
5. This Settlement Agreement constitutes a public reprimand to Cherl "Rena" Richardson, a copy of which will be provided to his former appointing authority pursuant to KRS 11A.100(3)(c).

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the parties have caused this agreement to be executed:


Cheryl "Rena" Richardson

9/9/2020
Date

EXECUTIVE BRANCH ETHICS COMMISSION:


Judge Roger L. Crittenden (Ret.), Chair

Nov 16, 2020
Date


David K. Karen (Nov 17, 2020 09:22 EST)

Nov 17, 2020

Sen. David K. Karen (Ret.), Vice-Chair

Date


Crit Luallen (Nov 17, 2020 12:44 EST)

Nov 17, 2020

Crit Luallen, Member

Date


Daniel J. Venters (Nov 17, 2020 21:05 EST)

Nov 17, 2020

Justice Daniel J. Venters (Ret.), Member

Date


David S. Samford (Nov 17, 2020 21:09 EST)

Nov 17, 2020

David S. Samford, Member

Date